



City of Frisco Recreation Department's 3rd Annual

Gingerbread House Contest

Information, Rules and Entry Form

Start planning now to enter your culinary masterpiece in the 3rd Annual City of Frisco Gingerbread House Contest! Round up your family and friends and spend quality time in the kitchen creating culinary art. Let your kids explore their creative talents and challenge their imaginations, or take some time out for yourself this holiday season and build 'the house of your dreams'!

Contest Information:

- Categories:
 - Individual children and children's groups:
 - ♦ Ages 6 and under
 - ♦ Ages 7-9
 - ♦ Ages 10-13
 - ♦ Ages 14-17
 - □ **Ages 18 and up:**
 - ♦ Adult individual
 - ♦ Adult group
 - ♦ Professional individual
 - ♦ Professional group
 - * In relation to this contest, a "professional" is defined as any person who is employed as a culinary professional, including cooks, chefs, bakers & bakery department employees, pastry chefs, etc. The professional category also includes any person who creates gingerbread houses to sell at retail stores, craft fairs, flea markets, retail web sites, etc.



- Entry fee is \$5 per house, payable in cash or check.
- **NEW THIS YEAR!** Contestants must pre-register! Due to the growing popularity of the contest, we will not be able to accept walk-in registrations at the Chamber of Commerce this year!
- Entries are limited to the first 45 registrations received. To avoid disappointment please submit your entry forms and registration fee early, as all 45 spots will fill up fast!
- To register for this year's contest, please choose *one* of the following options:
 - 1. Bring your entry forms and fee to the Alumni Hall Fitness Center at 9700 Wade Blvd. in Frisco, between 8:00am 9:30pm (Monday-Thursday), 8:00am 7:30pm (Friday), and 8:00am 3:30pm (Saturdays). Or...
 - 2. Mail your entry forms and fee to the following address:

City of Frisco Parks and Recreation Department Attn: Gingerbread Workshop Registration 6726 Walnut Street Frisco, TX 75034

- Registered entries must be brought to the Chamber of Commerce on Monday, December 1st between 12:00 7:00pm. The Chamber of Commerce is located at 6843 Main Street, #104.
- Entries must be removed from the Chamber of Commerce on December 8th between 12:00 7:00pm.
 Houses not picked up by 7:00pm on December 8th will become the property of the City of Frisco Recreation Department.
- Gingerbread houses will be on display December $2^{nd} 6^{th}$ (during the Merry Main Street Holiday event), at the Frisco Chamber of Commerce.
- A panel of judges will award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes in all categories. A Santa's Choice award will also be presented to one entry!
- The contest is open to all Frisco residents. A "resident" is defined as "residents and employees, officers, and directors of public or private businesses located in the city, as well as those enrolled in or employed by Frisco Independent School District."



Official Contest Rules:

- The gingerbread house and foundation shall not exceed 15 inches.
- The foundation must be sturdy for easy transport (cardboard is too flexible, plywood is preferred)
- Children ages 9 and under may have adult assistance in creating and decorating their houses. Children ages 10 and up must construct and decorate their houses without adult assistance. Parents please assist and supervise <u>all</u> children when using stovetops, ovens, microwaves, etc.
- Gingerbread houses must be **made** *entirely* **of edible materials** with the exception of the foundation.
- All houses must be original creations, do not use store-bought gingerbread houses or gingerbread house kits, please.
- The houses must incorporate the holiday theme.
- One entry per person please.
- Please be aware that points will be deducted from an entry's over-all score for any rule infractions.



Judging Information:

- Judging will be held on Thursday, December 4th, 2003.
- Judging will be based on overall appearance, originality, creativity, holiday theme, craftsmanship, and architecture, and adherence to the official contest rules.
- The decisions of the judges are final.
- Winners will be called by 5:00 pm on Friday, December 5th.

Thank you for your interest in the 3rd Annual Recreation Department Gingerbread House Contest! If you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Audette at 972-731-4908, or saudette@ci.frisco.tx.us. You may also contact Marcy Jones at 972-731-4907 or mjones@ci.frisco.tx.us. We look forward to another fun, festive, and fantastic contest!



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Official Entry Form

Contestant Information:

Name:						
Address: Home Phone: Alternate Phone:						
				Email Address:		
Category (please c	check the appropriate categ	gory):				
Individual Child Categories	: Children's Groups Categories:	Adult Categories:				
Individual Child age 6 and under	Children's Group ages 6 and under	Adult Individual				
Individual Child age 7-9	Children's group ages 7-9	Adult Group				
Individual Youth age 10-13	Youth group ages 10-13	Professional Individual				
Individual Teen age 14-17	Teen group ages 14-17	Professional Group				
How did you learn about thi	is contest?:					
for advertising and promotion the City of Frisco. Contest en editorial advertising or public	e right to photograph and use the photos all purposes without compensation. Photograph are constitutes contestant's consent to ity purposes. Neither the City of Frisco, responsible for any damage or loss.	ographs become the property of ouse the winner's name for				
By signing this entry form, I use I agree to abide by all stated resulting House Contest.	understand and agree to all rules and stipulates of the City of Frisco 3 rd Annual Reco	llations stated above. reation Department Gingerbread				
Signature	Date					

****Please complete the first four lines of following form and bring or mail it, along with your Official Entry Form:

Contestant name (or group name):		
Parent name (if under 18):		
Group contact name if group project:		
Contact phone numbers:		
For staff use only:		
Entry number:		
Category:		

Please securely attach the following form to the bottom of your entry before bringing it to the Chamber of Commerce!

Contestant name (or group name):	
Parent name (if under 18):	
Group contact name if group project:	
Contact phone numbers:	